

GUNNISON POLICE DEPARTMENT



2005 Annual Report

MISSION STATEMENT: The Gunnison Police Department exists to maintain a high quality of life through the prevention of crime, fair and equal treatment of all, and education in partnership with the citizens of Gunnison and its visitors.

*Prevention * Education * Partnership*

Departmental efforts will emphasize protection of life and property, suppression of crime, enforcement of laws and ordinances, apprehension and prosecution of offenders, and the safe, expeditious flow of traffic. The application of Community Oriented Policing, emphasizing the partnerships with various community members and businesses will be encouraged. The implementation of a problem solving approach to address chronic locations and activities will be utilized, to specifically address quality of life issues within the community.

THE PATROL DIVISION

Patrol is often considered to be the backbone of a police agency. The officers that work in Patrol have the responsibility of being first responders to all police Calls for Service. Patrol officers must have the skills, knowledge, and ability to handle virtually every aspect of police work. Patrol Officers must be prepared to handle emergency and routine Calls for Service, traffic crashes, criminal investigations, drug offenses, enforce federal, state, and local laws, make public contacts, problem solve, write reports, testify in court, and be proficient in crime prevention and crime reduction strategies.

The Gunnison Police Department's Patrol Division consists of 10 Police Officers, each of which is assigned to one of two squads. Each squad is managed by a Patrol Sergeant. The Squad Sergeants report to the Patrol Division Captain who reports directly to the Chief of Police.

Each squad is responsible for monitoring crime trends and specific public safety concerns during their respective shift. The Sergeants are responsible for overseeing the day to day operation and implementation of the goals and objectives of the Gunnison Police Department Patrol Division within their squads. Incorporated within the goals and objectives for each officer you will find the

principle of Community Oriented Policing interwoven throughout all aspects of our work. We are currently into our first year of implementation of the new Community Oriented Policing partnership philosophy and are excited about the future prospects of stronger partnerships with the citizens of Gunnison.

In addition to the basic patrol function, the Patrol Division has the following specialty functions:

- **1st Annual WSC Student/Citizen Police Academy** – This year marked the first year of a WSC student citizen police academy. During the 8 weeks of the academy officers of the Gunnison Police Department covered over 16 disciplines everything from tactical operations to search and seizure. It is hoped that this annual event will become more interactive in the coming years.
- **Field Training Program** – Currently the Field Training Program consists of seven officers who are certified to train new officers in the 13 week Field Training Program.
- **Toys for Tots** – The Gunnison Police Department provided assistance to the Toys for Tots Christmas Program by providing two personnel who worked a total of 80 hours collecting toys, collecting donation cans, wrapping presents.
- **Special Events** – The Gunnison Police Department oversaw and or participated in twenty one special events this year to include the following: City Fest, Cattlemens Day Parade, Cattlemens Day Security, Car Show, Ride the Rockies, Bike Tour Colorado, GHS Homecoming, WSC Homecoming, Parade of Lights, 4x4 Parade, WSC Basketball x 8, GVH Charity Run, 4th of July Fireworks, Emergency Services Exposition
- **Tactical Team** – The majority of the members of the Tactical Team come from the Patrol Division. In 2005 the Gunnison Tactical Team deployed on three occasions. Currently the Tactical Team is in the early stages of becoming a joint jurisdictional team (A pooling of resources) in order to more efficiently serve the citizens of Gunnison.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

In August 2005 the Gunnison Police Department obtained a new Police Chief upon the retirement of long time Chief Keehne in June 2005. Since that time the Gunnison Police Department has been undergoing changes in the area of goals and objectives. It is hoped that this will result in a more consumer sensitive service delivery to the citizens of Gunnison. We are currently striving to make our goals and objectives specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time relative. This will enable us to properly measure our efforts to gauge our effectiveness in serving the citizens of Gunnison. The following is a brief breakdown of the Goals and Objectives for the Gunnison Police Department.

2006 Consumer Sensitive Service Delivery: Provide police services consistent with the vision and values of our **community based policing** organization, and serve as ambassadors of the city of Gunnison. Place an emphasis on service delivery to our customers.

2006 Community Oriented Policing: Efforts will be continued on Community Oriented Policing philosophy and integration with the citizens of Gunnison. A problem solving approach to chronic

problems will be implemented.

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Calls For Service

Radio Dispatched	2110
Officer On-Viewed	839
Other	64
Total Calls	3013

Traffic Report

Bike Tickets

Bicycle - Wrong Side of Roadway	1
Equipment Violation	3
Obedience to Traffic Control Device	4
Ride On Sidewalk	6
Total Bike Tickets	14

Parking Tickets

Improper Parking	18
No Parking Zone	13
No Parking Zone	1
Overtime Parking	291
Parked Wrong Side of Street	6
Parked In Alley	1
Parked In Handicap Zone	1
Total Parking Tickets	331

Moving Violations Tickets

Careless Driving	16
Display Invalid License Plates	8
Driver Allowed Unsafe Rider	1
Drove Vehicle without Valid Drivers License	12
Fail To Give Info/Aid after Damaging Vehicle	1
Fail To Stop At Stop Sign	5

Fail To Use Child Restraint	3
Fail To Use Safety Belt	4
Failed To Use Turn Signals	2
Failed To Yield at Yield Intersection	2
Failed To Yield Right of Way	18
Failure to Observe Traffic Control Device	6
Following Too Close	5
Failed To Notify Police-Accident	1
Failed To Stop For School Bus	4
Inoperative Vehicle	1
Lane Violation	6
Operating Snowmobile on Roadway	1
Person Attached To Outside Vehicle	1
Reckless Driving	2
Signal Violation	1
Speeding	43
Uninsured Motor Vehicle	5
Unsafe Backing	9
Unsafe U-Turn	2
Total MVC's	159

Warning Tickets

Abandoned Vehicle	3	
Animal At Large	11	
Barking Dog	14	
Careless Driving		6
Code Violation	14	
Drivers License & Lane Violation	1	
Equipment Violation	10	
Failed To Signal	1	
Failed To Yield	4	
Failure to Stop Sign	1	
Following to Close	2	
Improper Parking	21	
Improper Start, Stop Position	1	
Lane Violation	3	
Left Turn Where Prohibited	1	
No Drivers License	1	
Equipment Violation	4	
Obstructed Vision	1	
Parking Violation	28	
Reckless Driving/School Zone	1	
Signal Violation	5	
Speeding	29	

Stop Light	1	
Toy Bike C49cc on Public Row		1
Traffic Control Device	12	
U-Turn	1	
Unsafe Backing Drivers License	1	

July 29th started computer tracking of warning tickets. Prior to that 360 warning tickets were issued.

Shift Coverage

	1 officer	2 officers	3 officers	4 officers	5 officers
Day Shift	260	102	3	0	0
Swing Shift	126	193	42	4	0
Grave Shift	254	111	0	0	0
Overlap 9PM – 3AM	0	93	152	91	29

Department staffing levels have been affected for the entire year. We have been one patrol officer short beginning in 2004 with two unsuccessful hiring process in 2005 and a third currently underway. Martin King left for a job in Texas on April 23rd leaving us two patrol officers short. Jerry Hayes was hired on May 9th replacing Martin and began in the field training program that continued until August 16th when he successfully completed the training program. Grace Cowan was also on Family Medical Leave from April 11th thru August 11th with the birth of her son, Jackson. In addition to these shortages patrol was affected an additional 218 days, **60% of the time, during the year with one or more officer on vacation, out sick, on restricted duty, or at training.**

Administratively the department has been running short this year. Jim Keehne retiring as Police Chief June 8th and was replaced by Greg Anderson on August 4th.

The department also lost a valuable asset to the department, and community, when Shirley Spitzmiller passed away. Sonja Parmeter who was hired in April to work part time in records and do parking enforcement stepped in to keep the records office running during this period and in August Sonja was joined by Betty Stefanic. Sonja and Betty both work part time sharing the position to maintain regular business hours.

The part time Neighborhood Services position, responsible mainly for parking enforcement, has remained unfilled in 2005, except for the short period between April and June when Sonja filled that role.

Training

Out of town or hosted trainings

1/20/05	POST Training Conference
2/27/05	Less Lethal Instructor School
2/21-28/05	FTO School
2/11/05	VICAP Training
3/21-23	Interview Training
3/4/05	Technology and Wireless Overview Conference
3/23-24/05	Supervisor Training
4/4-15/05	Supervisor Institute
5/23/05	Managing Multiple Projects
5/7/05	Child Safety Seat Training
5/24/05	SART (Emergency Animal Rescue Training)
6/9-10/05	Team Building Course, Taylor Canyon
6/27 – 7/1/05	DARE Conference
6/30 – 7/1/05	Occupant Safety Training
12/5-7/05	Interview for Patrol Officers

On-going department training consisted of the following topics: driving, firearms, arrest control, methamphetamine lab training, DUI/Intoxilyzer, search and seizure, policy review, radar operation and legal updates

In a perfect world where no one gets sick, takes vacation or quits this is what our schedule should look like for coverage

	1 officer	2 officers	3 officers	4 officers	5 officers
Day Shift	104	260	0	0	0
Swing Shift	0	260	104	0	0
Grave Shift	104	260	0	0	0
Overlap 9PM – 3AM	0		104	208	52

Activity Report

CRIMINAL CALLS	Reported	Unfounded	Cleared
Unfounded			
ABANDONED VEHICLE	66	0	60
ACCIDENT	186		60 w/tickets
ACCIDENT - HIT & RUN	57	6	9
ALCOHOL VIOLATION	54		46
ANIMAL - VICIOUS	16		16
ANIMAL VIOLATION	510		490
ASSAULT	48	1	40
BOND VIOLATION	2		2
BURGLARY	37	1	9
CHILD ABUSE	5	1	4
CONTEMPT OF COURT	1		1
CONTRIB. DEL.OF MINOR	1		1
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE –MJ	36	1	33
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - SCHED I	3		3
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - SCHED II	2		2
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	129	6	19
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	65	4	56
DISTURBING THE PEACE	159	5	151
DOMESTIC	7	7	
DUI/DWAI VIOLATION	73	2	71
EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, POSS/USE	1		
FALSE REPORT	1		1
FIREWORKS VIOLATION	7		5
FORGERY	3		
FRAUD	11		4
FRAUD - ID THEFT	2		
FRAUD BY CHECK	31	7	13
FTA	17		17
FUGITIVE ARREST	14		14
HARASSMENT	132	7	85
INDECENT EXPOSURE	3		3
ISSUANCE OF BAD CHECK – NSF	10	1	7
KIDNAPPING - VIO OF CUSTODY	1		1
LITTERING	4		1
MENACING	5		5
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	16	4	1
MUNI CODE – NUISANCE VIO	20		12
MUNICIPAL CODE VIOLATION	19		7
OBSTRUCTING A PEACE OFFICER	4		4
OBSTRUCTING HIGHWAY/PASSAGE	1		1
PROBATION VIOLATION	7		6

RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLE	1		1
RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATION	3		3
SEX OFFENSE	3		1
SEXUAL ASSAULT	10	1	5
SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A CHILD	5	1	
SEXUAL EXPLOIT.OF CHILDREN	1		1
THEFT	316	40	30
THEFT OF CABLE SERVICES	1		
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	48		46
TRESPASS	69	7	31
VIOLATION CHILD CUSTODY	1	1	
WEAPONS VIOLATION	12	4	8
WITNESS - RETALIATION	1		

CALLS FOR SERVICE

AGENCY ASSIST	60
ALARM	68
CIVIL PROBLEM	53
EMER. ALCOHOL COMMITMENT	11
FIRE INVESTIGATION	7
HOUSE CHECK	19
JUVENILE PROBLEM	19
JUVENILE PROBLEM-RUNAWAY	2
NON-CRIMINAL	85
PROPERTY - FOUND, NON-CRIMINAL	238
PROPERTY - LOST, NON-CRIMINAL	112
PROPERTY - WSC GUN, NON-CRIM	8
UNATTENDED DEATH	5
UNSECURE PREMISE	44
WELFARE ASSIST	45

ARREST REPORT (Criminal charges filed)

(reflects number of specific offense not the number of people charged)

ABANDONED VEHICLE	2
ACCIDENT - HIT & RUN	4
ALCOHOL - PROVIDING TO MINORS	1
ALCOHOL VIOLATION	74
ANIMAL VIOLATION	104
ANIMAL - VICIOUS	12
ASSAULT	7

ASSAULT - 1ST DEGREE	2
ASSAULT - 2ND DEGREE	3
ASSAULT - 3RD DEGREE	22
BOND VIOLATION	2
BURGLARY	4
BURGLARY - 2ND DEGREE	2
CHILD ABUSE	5
CONSPIRACY	1
CONTEMPT OF COURT	1
CONTRIB. DELINQ.MINOR	1
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE – PRES.	1
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE – MJ	75
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE – SCHED I	6
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - SCHED II	6
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - SCHED IV	1
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - SCHED V	1
CRIMINAL ATTEMPT	1
CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION	1
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	22
DEFRAUDING AN INNKEEPER	1
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	29
DISTURBING THE PEACE	12
DOMESTIC	44
DUI/DWAI VIOLATION	77
ESCAPE	1
FALSE REPORT	1
FORGERY	2
FRAUD	1
FRAUD BY CHECK	8
FTA	19
FUGITIVE ARREST	19
HARASSMENT	51
INDECENT EXPOSURE	3
ISSUANCE OF BAD CHECK - NSF	7
KIDNAPPING - FALSE IMPRISONMENT	1
LITTERING	1
MENACING	8
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT, 2ND DEG	1
MUNI CODE - NUISANCE VIO	2
OBSTRUCTING A PEACE OFFICER	13
PROBATION VIOLATION	8
RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT	4
RESISTING ARREST	4
RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATION	2
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY	3
SEXUAL ASSAULT	2
SEXUAL ASSAULT 3RD DEGREE	1

SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A CHILD	3
SEXUAL EXPLOIT OF CHILDREN	1
THEFT	22
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	71
TRAFFIC OFFENSE - DUS	12
TRAFFIC OFFENSE - NPOI	6
TRAFFIC OFFENSE - REGISTRATION	1
TRAFFIC OFFENSE-HABIT OFFEND	2
TRESPASS	16
UNAUTHOR USE FINANCIAL DEVICE	1
VEHICULAR ELUDING	1
VIOLATION BAIL BOND	1
WEAPONS VIOLATION	2

TOTAL PEOPLE CHARGED

For the year 2005	414
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